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Containing the freſheſt Advices Foreign and Domeſtick.

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The Remainder of the Letter begun in our laſt.

I might now go on, II. To ſhew, that your way of Argument will equally prove People's *withdrawing from the Infection*, no leſs inconſiſtent with a *Prerogative* of God than *Inoculation*. For as 'tis a Prerogative of his, *to ſave whom he will* from the Infliction of the Diſtemper, ſo it is alſo, *on whom he will to inflict it*. And therefore, as *Inoculation* tends to defeat his Prerogative of *ſaving whom he will* from the Diſtemper, on the one Hand; ſo *withdrawing from the Infection*, tends to defeat his Prerogative of *inflicting it on whom he will*, on the other. And if it be ſaid, that 'tis in the Power of God *to inflict* it notwithſtanding their *withdrawing from the Infection*; ſo I ſay, 'tis in his Power *not* to inflict it, notwithſtanding of *Inoculation*. And

III. I might put your Argument, with very little Variation, (only of the Word, *under*, for *from*;—*preſerve whom he will*, under *the actual Attack of any Diſtemper*;) into the Mouth of a *Mahometan*, (for by the by, *Mahometans* never *inoculate*, intoxicated as they are with the Doctrines of *Fate* and *Predeſtination*) and ſee what Work it would make with the *Doctors* Vials and Gallypots, all *Medicines* and *Methods* of Cure!

But there is no need of theſe; your *one Principle* (as you call it) is demoliſhed without them. And on which as your ſubſequent *Obſervations* chiefly depend, a few Words therefore will do concerning them.

You quote a Paſſage of mine, *viz.* "if "the prudent Precautions of *Bleeding*, *Vo-* "*miting*, *&c.* be *moral* and conſiſtent with "our Duty of *truſting to Providence*, then "why not the *moſt prudent* Precaution "alſo of *Inoculation*? *&c.*" On which you obſerve;—that *the Difference of the Means* (here compared) *is manifeſt, from their different Natures and Ends.* Well; how do they differ in their *Natures* and *Ends*? Why, thus;—*By the Uſe of the* former, *preſent Health is preſerved.* But (1) this regards the *End* only. (2) If by *the Uſe of the* former, *preſent Health be preſerved*; then by the Uſe of the *latter*, preſent *Life* is preſerved; and that ſure is a *Likeneſs*. But (3) pray, Sir, how came it into your Head, that *by the Uſe of the* former (*Vomiting* or *Purging* I mean) preſent *Health is preſerved*? For, however the *ultimate* Ends of theſe, be either to recover or ſecure future Health; yet the *immediate* Ends intended are Diſtempers, *acute* Diſtempers, and (when for Prevention) *prima Inſtantiæ* ones too. And if you'll inſiſt on a convincing Argument of all this, the beſt I can think of, is that of adviſing you to try the Experiment; and when it may be proper, by Way of *Precaution*, to diſlodge your Body of ſome *noxious Principles* (or *Humours*) to take a good round Doſe of *Crocus* or *Tartar*, and ſee whether *preſent* Health will be preſerved; or whether it will not raiſe ſuch a *Tumult* in your *animal Oeconomy*, as you'll think an *acute* Diſtemper; and which if it ſhould continue 24 Hours, might probably carry you to your *long Home*? And agreeably, as the *immediate* End intended, of *Vomiting* or *Purging*, is an acute Diſtemper, and (when by Way of *Precaution*) a *prima Inſtantiæ* one too;

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but the *ultimate* End to secure future Health: for in exactly *parallel* Manner, the *immediate* End of *Inoculation* is an *acute* Distemper, but the *ultimate* One is to secure Life, pursuant to the natural Instinct of all living Creatures.---- You add; *and the Body---- prepared for receiving the Distemper, in what* favourable Manner *God shall be pleased himself to inflict it.* But, by your Principles, Sir, how can you meddle in this Work at all? Cannot God inflict the Distemper in what *favourable*, or *severe* Manner he pleases, without your Assistance? Or supposing he intends it in a *severe* Manner, don't you, in such Case, do all you can to *defeat* his Intention?----you go on; *by the latter we directly intend to bring on the Distemper, which is manifestly to usurp God's Right, &c.* You must know in your Heart, that *bringing on the Distemper*, is not the *alone* or *principal* Intention, but that the *Preserving of Life*, is *also* and *principally* intended. As to *usurping God's Right*, I need say no more.----You apprehend *the Stress of my Argument laid on the* Success: I'll tell you what *Stress* I lay on that by and by. *The Parenthesis* "(and as such it ought always "to be considered previously to its being one "in Conscience") you say, *has surprized many Readers*: I own 'tis faulty, and will therefore mend it; *thus*, (and as such it *must* be considered, before it *can* be one in Conscience) which may perhaps surprize some more. Your other Remarks upon it, I'll trust with any Reader.

Your Observations on my *seventh Paragraph*, shew a wonderful Inclination to amuse! You are again at it;--*but is it is (Vomiting* or *Purging) inflicting an acute Distemper?* Or a Distemper *prima Instantia*? For Answer I refer above.--Again, *will our Author allow*, &c. *because we may lawfully prepare*, &c. *we may as lawfully become Aggressors, for Fear others should some time after become our Enemies?* No, Sir! But the Case is falsely put. Put it as it ought to be, *viz.* of as great a Certainty, of an *Enemy's* attacking us, as there was of the *Small Pox* attacking the People of *Charlestown* when *Inoculation* commenced; and it will be high time for us, to meet and attack them on their own Ground. You go on; *whoever salivated for Fear he should afterwards catch a Distemper? who in his right Wits would cut off a Finger a Toe*, &c. *for Fear he should afterwards be seized with a Gangrene*, &c. Vulgar Stuff indeed! Pray, Sir, did any of the People of *Charlestown* inoculate *last Year*, for Fear the *Small-Pox* should be brought from *Guinea* 'mongst them this? What *Pertinence* have your Questions, either to that *Paragraph*, or the Case of *Inoculation*? That *Paragraph* considered *Salivation* and *Dismembring* only as Distempers *inflicted*, and the *Morality* of such Infliction. And as to the Case of *Inoculation*, you cannot but know, that it no less supposes an infectious Distemper (*Small-Pox*) in *some* of the Members of the *Community*, than *Salivation* or *Dismembring* supposes a *Canker*, *Gangrene*, or like infectious Distemper, in *some* of the Members of the *human Body*: And that as *Salivation* or *Dismembring* is inflicted to preserve the yet *sound Members*, from the Infection already prevailing in *some others* of the *human Body*, so in *parallel* Manner, *Inoculation* is inflicted to preserve the yet *sound Members*, from the *fatal Degree* of the Infection, already prevailing in *some others* of the *Community*. So that your Questions ought fairly to have run thus;--whoever salivated,--or in his right Wits, cut off a Finger or Toe, *&c.* when a *Canker*, *Gangrene*, or like Distemper was got into some of the Members of his Body, *for Fear* it should spread itself to all the others, and destroy the Body?--But whom then would they have served to amuse?

My ninth Paragraph, you say, cannot *be true*, because if it were so, *it would destroy the particular Providence of God.* Enough is said on that Subject. And as to your *Reducing* of my *Perhapses*, I protest, in the Sincerity of my Heart, I do not understand it: And all the Rest of your Observations depending on your *one* subverted *Principle*, I am content to trust with any Reader.---A Word or two on your *Introduction*, and I have done.

You design, you say, *no uncharitable Reflections*, &c. yet in the next Breath you plainly insinuate a most uncharitable one, *viz.* that of *tempting God. We know* (say you) *who has said, that* they who tempt God are even delivered. Pray, Sir, who has said so; See (*Mal.* III. 13, 14, 15.) whether they were not *wicked Infidels* who said so, and who pleaded it as a Ground for their *Wickedness* and *Infidelity?* It is far from my Heart to insinuate any such thing as to yourself, but only as a Caution, not to quote *Scripture* at random, for the Sake of a *Phrase*. Success, I own, is not always an Argument of the *Divine Approbation* in particular Instances, but apparently *wicked Practices* often prosper: But on the other Hand, when any Practice, not apparently *immoral*, but founded on the Course or Laws of Nature, is attended with constant *uniform Success*, 'mong all *Nations*, at all *Times*, and in all *Places*; this I must insist upon as an Argument of *that Approbation*; and do you instance in any particular Case to the contrary, if you can. I am *Sir, Your most humble Servant.*

CHARLESTOWN, *Aug* 31.

We hear from all Parts of this Province, that there never was a greater Prospect of a more plentiful Crop of Rice.

On Tuesday last Mr. *James Kinloch*, eldest Son of the Hon *Jas Kinloch* Esq; one of his Maj Hon. Council of this Province, died at his Father's House at *Santee*, of a violent Fever and Impostbume in his Head, after an Illness of 12 Days. He arrived in this Province about 15 Months ago, having been 5 Years in several Parts of *Europe* for his Education and Improvement. As the many good Qualities this young Gentleman (only 20 Years of Age) was indow'd with made him justly esteemed by all those who had the Pleasure of his Acquaintance, so his Death is now greatly lamented by his unconsolable Parents, Relations & others who knew him.

On Tuesday last arrived here Capt *Hugh Piercy* in Ten Weeks from *London*, who at his Departure was informed, that General *Oglethorpe*, with two Men of War and two Transports, sailed the same Day; In Capt. *Piercy* arrived *J. Abercromby* Esq; His Majesty's Attorney General.

By this Vessel we have the following Advices, That on Monday the 22d of *May* Admiral *Haddock* with his Squadron of 10 Men of War, &c. sailed from Spithead for the *Mediterranean*; and that the Fleet appointed for the West-Indies consists of 14 Men of War.

That on Wednesday the 24th in the Morning the Princess of Wales was happily deliver'd of a Prince, who the night following was baptiz'd by the Name of GEORGE.

That Samuel Horsey Esq; Governor of Carolina, has received his Instructions from the Board of Trade and Plantations, and Orders to repair as fast as possible to his Government.

That on Thursday the 4th of *May*, the House of Lords waited on his Majesty at St. *James's* with the following Address.

Most Gracious Sovereign,

We your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lords Spiritual and Temporal in Parliament assembled, having taken into a serious Consideration the many unjust Violences and Depredations committed by the *Spaniards*, upon the Persons, Ships, and Effects of divers of his Majesty's Subjects in *America*, have come to the following Resolutions, which we beg Leave in the humblest Manner to lay before your Majesty, for your Royal Consideration, viz.

I. Resolved, That the Subjects of the Crown of *Great-Britain* have a clear and undoubted Right to navigate in the *American* Seas, to and from any Part of his Majesty's Dominions; and for carrying on such Trade and Commerce, as they are justly intitled unto in *America*; and also carry all Sorts of Goods and Merchandizes, or Effects from one Part of his Majesty's Dominions to any other Part thereof; and that no Goods, being so carried, are by any Treaty subsisting between the Crowns of *Great Britain* and *Spain*, to be deemed or taken as contraband or prohibited Goods, and that the Searching of such Ships on the open Seas, upon Pretence of their carrying contraband or prohibited Goods, is a Violation and Infraction of the Treaties subsisting between the two Crowns.

II Resolved, That it appears to this House, that as well before, as since the Execution of the Treaty of *Seville*, on the Part of *Great Britain*, divers Ships and Vessels, with their Cargoes, belonging to *British* Subjects, have been violently seized and confiscated by the *Spaniards*, upon Pretence altogether unjust and groundless; and that many of the Sailors on board such Ships have been injuriously and barbarously imprisoned and ill treated; and that thereby the Liberty of Navigation and Commerce belonging to his Majesty's Subjects, by the Law of Nations, and by Virtue of the Treaties subsisting between the Crowns of *Great-Britain* and *Spain*, hath been unwarrantably infringed and interrupted, to the great Loss and Damage of our Merchants, and in direct Violation of the said Treaties.

III. Resolved, That it appears to this House, that frequent Applications have been made, on the Part of his Majesty, to the Court of *Spain*, in a Manner the most agreeable to Treaties, and to the Peace and Friendship subsisting between the two Crowns, for redressing the notorious Abuses and Grievances before mentioned, and preventing the like for the future, and for obtaining adequate Satisfaction to his injured Subjects; which, in the Event, have prov'd entirely fruitless, and of no Effect.

We think it our Duty, on this important Occasion, humbly to represent to your Majesty. That we are most sensibly affected with the many and grievous Injuries and Losses sustained by your Majesty's trading Subjects, by Means of these unwarrantable Depredations and Seizures; and to give your Majesty the strongest and most sincere Assurances, that in case your friendly and powerful Instances for procuring Restitution and Reparation to your injured Subjects, and for the future Security, which your Majesty may in Justice expect; we will zealously and cheerfully concur in all such Measures, as shall become necessary for the Support of your Majesty's Honour, the Preservation of our Navigation and Commerce, and the common Good of these Kingdoms.

[His MAJESTY's most Gracious Answer in our next.]

By the Honourable WILLIAM BULL, *Esq; President and Commander in Chief in and over His Majesty's Province of* South-Carolina.

A PROCLAMATION.

WHEREAS the urgent Affairs of this Province, require the speedy Consideration of the General Assembly of this Province. I have therefore thought proper by and with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty's Honourable Council, to issue this my Proclamation, hereby desiring and requiring all and every the Members of the General Assembly to meet (in General Assembly) on Monday the 11th of *September* next ensuing, at the House of Mr. *Francis Sureau* at Ashley-River-Ferry, in order to consult together relating to the Affairs of the said Province.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of this His Majesty's Province, at Ashley River-Ferry, *this* 30th *Day of* August *in the Twelfth Year of his Majesty's Reign.* Anno. Dom. 1738.

WILLIAM BULL.

GOD SAVE THE KING.

By his Honour's Command,
Ja: Michie, *Dep. Secr.*

Custom-House, Charlestown.

Entred Inwards, Hugh Piercy from London, Henry Smith from N-Carolina, John Atkin from Virginia, and Wm. Hutton from Barbados *Entred out*, Burdett Pilkington Fleetwood for N-York: *Clear'd for Departure*, Benj Keirsted & Ja: Tucker to N York, and John Harlburt to Boston.

EXPORTED from this PLACE since *Nov* 1, 1737.

Rice 34073 Barrels. Pitch 16588. Tarr 5395. Turpentine 841. Whereof 3982 Barrels of Rice to the Southward of *Cape Finisterre*.

IMPORTED in the Ship *Samuel*, *Hugh Piercy* from *London*, a good Parcell of white, blew and green Plains for Negro Cloathing, Searges and half Ticks of all Colours, Durants, Sagathys, striped, and blue Duffils, Bed Blanket and Negro Rugs, sundry ready made woollen Cloaths, white Flannel and striped Lynseys, coarse and fine broad Cloths, Strouds, trading Guns and laced Hatts, bowdye Cadice, Brass Kettles, Gartering, Vermillion, Guilt Belts and Hatchets, Silver polish'd Earrings, and Stone Rings, fine Needles, and most sorts of Haberdashery ware, Brass Candlesticks, Snuffs and Stands, Wool Cards, *Squire's* Elixir, Linseed Oyl, black Pepper, fine *Florence* Oyl, Bullets, Swan and drop Shott and Gunpowder, 3 fourth 7 eighth and yard wide chequer'd Linnen and Cottons, Oznabrigs and Garlix of most sorts, long Cambricks and Nuns Hollands, super fine Hyson and Bohea Tea, single refin'd Sugar, also good Cocoa, and VIDONIA WINE, with sundry Goods in a late Advertisment, all to be sold very cheap by *Peter Henry*.

NB. *Great Care will be taken to keep the Woollens from any Infection of the Small Pox*

Just imported by Capt. *Piercy* from *London*, and to be sold by *James Crokatt*, NEGRO CLOATHING, white, blue and green, also strip'd Duffils and other Woolings, Loaf Sugar, Rice Sieves, Gloves, Shoes, white Lead in oyl, Linseed oyl, and most other kind of Goods that have been scarce this Summer.

NB. *In order to prevent any Danger of Infection by the Woollens being in Town, I keep them in a Store on Mr.* Wm. Ellison's *Bridge, where attendance will be given.*

Brought to Goal in Charlestown,

Aug. 21. A Negro Man, taken at *James* Island, by Mr. *Spencer*, and a Negro Girl, taken by a Negro of Mr. *Mazyck*.